

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Dr. Carol Peterson, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at South Dakota State University (SDSU), will be honored on July 11, 2009, for 32 years of distinguished and faithful service to SDSU and to the people of South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Dr. Peterson has served South Dakota State University for 10 years as the Dean of Nursing, the past 22 years as its chief academic officer, represents SDSU with a strong voice before the South Dakota Board of Regents, and serves on its Academic Affairs Council; and,

Whereas, Dr. Peterson has enjoyed one of the longest tenures as an academic vice president among members of the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities; and,

Whereas, Dr. Peterson has seen the enrollment at SDSU grow to approximately 12,000 students during her administrative tenure, and has added numerous undergraduate and graduate programs during her service as chief academic officer; and,

Whereas, Dr. Peterson was the first recipient of the Woman of Distinction Award from SDSU in 2001, the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award from the South Dakota Nurses Association in 2004, and the recipient of SDSU Alumni Association's Distinguished Service to South Dakota Award in 1995; and,

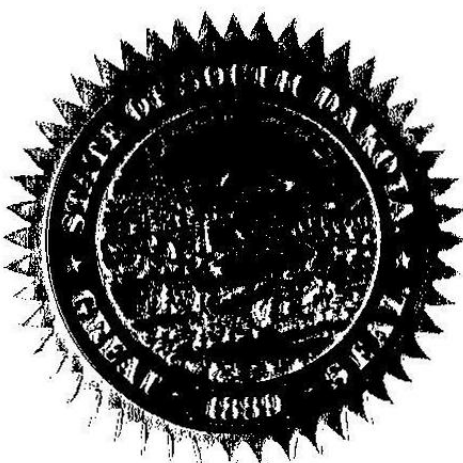
Whereas, Dr. Peterson has served her discipline as a member of the American Academy of Nurses and the National Academies of Practice; and,

Whereas, The South Dakota Board of Regents has recognized Dr. Peterson for 32 years of exemplary service with designation as Provost and Vice President Emerita of Academic Affairs at South Dakota State University, and she will be honored on July 11, 2009, by her colleagues, family, and friends:


Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 11, 2009, as

DR. CAROL PETERSON DAY

in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Second Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State